



**"The City With a Heart"**

Larry Franzella, Mayor  
Rico Medina, Vice Mayor  
Ken Ibarra, Councilmember  
Irene O'Connell, Councilmember  
Jim Ruane, Councilmember

# **MINUTES**

## **CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

### **February 14, 2006**

#### **THIS TO CERTIFY THAT:**

The San Bruno City Council met in regular session on February 14, 2006 at the San Bruno Senior Center, 1555 Crystal Springs Road and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### **1. ROLL CALL:**

Presiding was Mayor Franzella with Councilmembers, Medina, Ruane, Ibarra and O'Connell in attendance. Recording by City Clerk Bonner.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Vice Mayor Medina.

Mayor Franzella thanked the **San Bruno Garden Club** for providing the beautiful floral arrangement.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Franzella read a Proclamation recognizing **Mike Kaiser's** fifty years of service to the City of San Bruno. Advocate for youth, Boy Scouts of America Troop 72 for forty-five years, founding member of San Bruno Project Pride Committee since July, 1955.

Councilmember O'Connell thanked the Council and the City for the recognition of her father's efforts.

#### **2. REVIEW OF AGENDA:**

**Mayor Franzella** Items 12. a. and 12. b. to follow Public Hearing (with 12. b. being first).

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes stand approved as submitted.

#### **4. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- a. **Approve:** Payroll of January 27, 2006.
- b. **Approve:** Accounts Payable of December 26, 2005 and January 2, 2006.

**M/S Ibarra/Medina** to approve and passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Hold Public Hearing, waive second reading and adopt an Ordinance adding a new Chapter 12.220 (**Wireless Telecommunications Facilities**) **Title 12 (Land Use)** of the San Bruno Municipal Code.

**City Attorney Thompson** said this proposed ordinance was on a first reading during the January 10, 2006 Council Meeting. She asked it be delayed one meeting so she could have the opportunity to review a new federal case dealing with wireless telecommunication facilities. That case does not have any bearing on moving forward on approval of this Ordinance. She also thanked Aaron Aknin and Tambri Heyden for their input and assistance in preparation of this Ordinance.

**M/S Ruane/Ibarra** to close and passed by unanimous vote.

**M/S Ibarra/Ruane** to waive the second reading and passed by unanimous vote.

**Councilmember Ibarra** introduced the ordinance for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

**Councilmember Ibarra** thanked staff.

12.b. Receive oral annual report from the **Traffic Safety and Parking Committee**.

**Sol Weiner** thanked former member Emil Hons as well as Rose Urbach's late husband, for all their work. He publicly commended his committee members and City Staff. Sol gave an overview of the accomplishments of the Committee during the last year. He also said they plan to get together with other City Committees to see if anything comes to their attention coinciding with what they are doing. He said their Committee is 100% for the people of San Bruno.

12.a. Receive recommendation by the Culture and Arts Commission to approve the design concept for **Gateway signage** as presented by STG Graphics.

**Library Director Jackson** on behalf of the Culture and Arts Commission presented their recommendation for a design concept for Gateway signage. Starting last June in a Study Session with the City Council where gateway signage was identified as a priority activity for the Culture and Arts Commission. The staff report outlines the details of what the Commission has done to this point.

**Library Director Jackson introduced Sharon** Willis, Executive Project Manager, STG Graphics who talked about their proposed signage for San Bruno. She introduced Designers **Vic Su** and **Oliver Diccico**. Oliver Diccico presented a power point presentation showing the proposed signage, which has an arch modeling the airport, connecting to the next century. The signs would be made out of stainless steel and polycarbonate and relatively vandal-proof.

**Councilmember Ruane** asked polycarbonate, ultra violet resistant?

**Oliver Diccico** said the product has a twelve to fifteen year life span. He said the signage part is being designed to be removable object, which could be replaced without replacing the entire sign.

**Councilmember Ruane** asked about solar lit, whether it was entirely solar lit?

**Oliver Diccico** said there was no power on the median right now and he is proposing the installation of a solar panel and a battery system, requiring very little maintenance.

**Councilmember Ruane** asked if it would be turned on and off by photocell.

**Oliver Diccico** concurred and said the colors can be specified, similar to a computer monitor.

**Councilmember Ibarra** complimented and thanked the designer and his staff on the sculpture and art.

**Councilmember O'Connell** asked if the word welcome was larger than the words San Bruno.

**Oliver Diccico** said the lettering would all be the same size.

**Councilmember O'Connell** echoed Councilmember Ibarra's sentiments.

**Mayor Franzella** joined the Council in congratulating the Committee and the designers for the job that has been done. His major concern was putting these fine pieces of art into the existing medians.

**City Manager** responded by saying the next step would be to bring this program back to the Council in a formal approval process and at that time the details will be worked out.

**Mayor Franzella** stressed the fact the medians are a real focal point of our community. There are two entrances on El Camino and they will represent the model and the plan for every entrance. Everything needs to be connected with a landscaping plan that ties together.

**M/S Franzella/Ibarra** to give staff direction to bring all the improvements to the median incorporating this design and passed by unanimous vote.

## **6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

## **7. CALL FOR, PRESENTATION OF BIDS, and AWARD OF CONTRACT:**

a. Adopt Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to award bid for the purchase of **two (2) 2006 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors** from Folsom Lake Ford, for a total bid price of \$50,765.

**Councilmember Medina** asked how old were the vehicles?

**Captain Telford** said the vehicles were emergency vehicles and on average those vehicles are replaced two each year when the mileage reaches 80-90 thousand (industry standard). These vehicles are used 24/7. The price for these vehicles is the same price as paid back in 2002-03.

**Councilmember Medina** asked, prior to the budget constraints, we used to look toward three and now we are down to two in order to meet the City's needs.

**Captain Telford** said that was correct. He said the vehicles being replaced were 2000 models.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

a. Adopt Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract Amendment with **CSG for Additional Construction Monitoring Services for PG&E's Jefferson-Martin 230 kV Underground Transmission Line Project** for a Reimbursable, Not to Exceed Amount of \$60,000.

**Mayor Franzella** pointed out this is reimbursable amount from PG&E and we collect the money up-front and it is put into a deposit account and drawn against.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

## **8. COMMUNICATIONS:**

Receive oral report from Vice Mayor Medina on **League of California Cities New Mayor and Councilmember training** January 11-13, 2006.

**Councilmember Medina** briefly gave a summary of the Councilmember training he received at the League of California Cities New Mayor and Councilmember Training.

## **9. STAFF REPORTS:**

a. Receive presentation of mid-year financial review through December 31, 2005 for 2005-06 **General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, and Enterprise Funds Budgets.**

**Finance Director O'Leary** presented the financial results for the 2005-06 budget through the first half of the year. The staff report contains the details of the numbers and shows the City is on target.

**Councilmember Ibarra** asked if the 48% was an estimate or an actual figure?

**Finance Director O’Leary** said we have received 48% of the budget so far this year. Sales tax is paid monthly.

**Councilmember Ibarra** asked if Tanforan sales tax was included.

**Finance Director O’Leary** replied no. Estimates related to Tanforan will come in from the State in January and February. The March 17 payment will let us know what the October to December quarter was this year compared to the prior year.

**Councilmember Ibarra** asked if the 48% was better than anticipated?

**Finance Director O’Leary** said it was pretty much on budget.

**Mayor Franzella** asked about business taxes. He said the chart shows we are 68%, but they are only due once a year. He asked how that would play out for the second half.

**Finance Director O’Leary** said the overall expectation is greater. He anticipates we will come very close to the budget even though were a little behind at this point.

**Councilmember Ruane** asked about a newspaper article referencing a miscalculation by the County. He asked how this would figure into this?

**Finance Director O’Leary** replied the City has received nothing as yet. He does anticipate receiving something and it will benefit the Redevelopment Agency.

**Councilmember Ibarra** remarked Finance Director O’Leary had “done his job right” and we are on track. He said we have done well this last year and asked what we could do going forward?

**Finance Director O’Leary** said the Council was cautious this year in using one-time revenues in order to balance the budget. Looking at the three-year projection, there is a projected deficit for next year, which will have to be dealt with.

**Councilmember Medina** asked the status of the reserves.

**Finance Director O’Leary** said there is currently 3 million dollars in reserve.

b. Adopt Resolution establishing an association with the City of Slidell, Louisiana for the purpose of **Hurricane Katrina** disaster recovery assistance.

**City Manager Jackson** briefly summarized the City of Slidell, Louisiana’s situation after Hurricane Katrina. Through a slide-presentation, she pointed out the similarities between our City and their City. She asked the Council establish a sister-city type of relationship with Slidell where our residents as individuals or community organizations can funnel their interest to provide disaster recovery support to a particular location. She proposed we, as a City, provide outreach information to the community through our available channels.

**Councilmember Ruane** said this resolution gives us the opportunity to focus our attention on one particular area.

**Councilmember Ibarra** asked how this could be organized.

**Councilmember Ruane** said there are many opportunities through our public channels.

**Councilmember Ibarra** proposed we do an outreach in our community.

**Councilmember Medina** echoed what everyone else said and expressed his wish to do whatever we can to help out.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

**Councilmember O’Connell** asked how gift cards could be transmitted to the City of Slidell.

**City Manager Jackson** said there would be a collection point at City Hall at one of our public counters.

**Councilmember O’Connell** asked those people going out to purchase gift cards at Lowes or Target, purchase an extra one for the people of Slidell.

**Councilmember Ibarra** stressed the importance of all being on the same page and once we get all the information we can pass it on to our respective committees.

c. Adopt Resolution Supporting the **California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2006**.

**Library Director Jackson** gave a summary of the resolution, which will appear on the June ballot authorizing \$6 million in bonds to meet the unfilled need of prior bond measures. No fiscal impact.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

**Councilmember O’Connell** stressed this is not a property bond issue, it is a general obligation bond, it does not increase sales or property taxes. It is money, which will become available to construct new libraries.

**Library Director Jackson** said they would come back to Council at the first meeting in March with a scope of work and some contract awards.

d. Adopt Resolution approving the adoption of a **Risk Management Policy** designating Risk Manager and establishing Risk Management Committee.

**Finance Director O’Leary** summarized the resolution as outlined in the staff report.

**Councilmember Ibarra** introduced the resolution for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

**10. REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY - RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES: None**

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:**

**Rose Urbach**, Euclid Ave., commented closed session meetings are necessary if the City is being sued; however, she felt anything else should be out in the public. She also felt Study Sessions should be televised.

**Phil Sherman**, Shelter Creek Ln., talked about the issues Shelter Creek Apartments is experiencing.

**Mayor Franzella** said this situation is not a position the City can get involved. He said if Shelter Creek’s Association is violating procedures, the State of California or maybe the Attorney General’s Office can provide assistance. The City cannot get involved.

**Phil Sherman** said he was advised to go to the City before going to the State.

**Mayor Franzella** said it is not a matter of wanting to help out; it is a matter of being able to help out. There is nothing the City can do; it is up to the Association.

**Phil Sherman** asked if the District Attorney could help.

**Mayor Franzella** advised him to contact the District Attorney's office and they couldn't help, they would direct him to someone who could help.

**Councilmember O'Connell** advised Assembly Gene Mullin would be very beneficial in helping out.

## **12. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES:**

- a. Receive recommendation by the Culture and Arts Commission to approve the design concept for **Gateway signage** as presented by STG Graphics.
- b. Receive oral annual report from the **Traffic Safety and Parking Committee**.

Items 12. a. and 12. b. to follow Item 5., Public Hearings

**Traffic and Safety Committee** recommends:

- c. Adopt resolution authorizing the installation of STOP signs and Red Curb No Parking Zones at the intersections of **Colby Way at Madera Way and Colby Way at Highland Drive**.

**Councilmember Ibarra** remarked there seemed to be a lot of vehicles parking on the curve.

**Deputy Director Buck** said it is a unique situation and is an enforcement issue.

**Councilmember Ibarra** introduced the resolution for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

- d. Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Installation of a Red Curb No Parking Zone adjacent to **171 Darby Place**.

**Deputy Director Buck** summarized the report with minor changes giving nine spaces.

**Mayor Franzella** commended Deputy Director Buck on the rework of the plan.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

- e. Adopt Resolution Authorizing removal of a Red Curb No Parking Zone on the **East Side of the** portion of Commodore Drive formerly named Third Street West.

**Councilmember Ruane** introduced the resolution for adoption, roll call vote of all ayes.

**Councilmember Ibarra** thanked Merrill Buck for his four years of service to the City of San Bruno.

## **13. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Councilmember O'Connell** pointed out some of the highlights in the new Recreation Folder, including Arbor Day where citizens can receive a free tree; San Bruno Library Card Applications, Saturday, February 25 10-9, Barnes & Noble vouchers any money a percentage will go to benefit Library Foundation.

### **Closed Session:**

Meet with Legal Counsel regarding potential litigation (Gov't Code 54956.9(b) (one case).

**14. ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to transact, at 8:43 p.m., the City Council adjourned to the next City Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2006, 7:00 p.m., at the San Bruno Senior Center, 1555 Crystal Springs Rd., San Bruno.

Respectfully submitted for approval  
at the regular City Council Meeting of  
February 28, 2006.

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Carol Bonner, City Clerk

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Larry Franzella, Mayor